

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 3 and ending on page 1, line 6 with the following amended paragraph:

This application is a continuation-in-part of ~~pending~~ United States Patent ~~Application Serial Number 10/245,617~~ 6,763,718, which is in turn a continuation-in-part of United States Patent ~~Application Serial Number 09/892,301~~ 6,546,798, which is a continuation-in-part of United States Patent 6,581,465. This application is also related to United States ~~Patents~~ Patent 6,550,330 and 6,581,465.